

Lewistown Job Service Employers Committee

July 20, 2006

Present: Patse Hansen, Robin Fleming, Nancy Wilson, Kathy Fleharty, Roy Jones, Janis Duffy

Guests: Tamie Kolstad & Steve Phillips, Hi-Heat Industries

Robin welcomed members, guests and new member Patse Hansen to the meeting. Welcome aboard, Patse; we are happy to have you with us!

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as submitted with one correction to the date for the next meeting.

Kathy gave the Treasurer's report in written format.

Old Business:

New Committee Member: After discussion, it was decided to table this topic until the next meeting. Sandra Westhoff of Western Security Bank was suggested as a possibility and members will try to bring other suggestions to the August meeting.

State JSEC/Managers Meeting: Janis thanked the Committee for her nomination for the JSEC Coordinator of the year award and gave a brief report on the State meeting held at Fairmont May 15-17. Roy mentioned that at a recent Job Service Managers' meeting it was decided to try to make the meetings more employer friendly to try to encourage more JSEC members to attend in the future.

Beck II Sponsors, etc: Janis reported that we have 12 businesses that have committed to co-sponsor the Seminar so far. Nancy has contacted Basin State Bank who has agreed to sponsor, has left a message at Fergus Electric and will also contact Allied Steel, Courtesy Chevrolet, and Western Security Bank. Robin said Realty Title would also participate as a co-sponsor. Susan has graciously offered the help of Tamie and Steve to help with both Seminars since her participation will be limited due to personal commitments. It was decided to fold, label and write personal notes on the brochures at

the September meeting (**note: meeting date will need to be changed due to a conflict with the Beck I Seminar)

Beck I/Hi Heat Seminar: Hi-Heat will be able to cover the cost of the liability insurance required at the FCPA. It was decided that signing the brochures for this Seminar would not be necessary. Steve and Tamie indicated that we would probably be able to call on Hi-Heat employees to do the requisite folding, labeling, etc. of the brochures.

Other: Kathy distributed very nice JSEC name badges to members that we plan to wear to our JSEC sponsored events.

New Business:

MT USDA Rural Development Presentation: Janis gave a brief overview of the email received from the USDA regarding the possibility of one of their representatives giving a presentation on their programs to our Committee. Locally, Snowy Mountain Development, HRDC and the Port Authority are already involved with the USDA in some way. After discussion, it was decided that we would not pursue their presentation due to a possible duplication of current on-going efforts by the other entities and also due to the fact that we have two seminars and the ABC coming up this fall and are already committed to those.

Other: Roy reported on the recent Managers' meeting. Changes are taking place with funding for Job Services at the federal level which are anticipated to change many of the aspects of how the local offices will be functioning in the future. One change is that staff will be given more training so that there will be less specialization and all staff will be able to deliver more services to business customers.

Our next meeting will be held on August 17th at 7:00 a.m. at the Job Service conference room.

Meeting adjourned